

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of

Robert CHASSAGNON et al.

Serial No.: 10/578,132

Filed: May 1, 2006

For: Tread Comprising Relief Elements Covered by a  
Specific Mixture

Examiner: Maki, Steven D.

Group Art: 1791

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

SIR:

**PETITION**

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of January 22, 2009. Please charge our PTO Deposit Account No. 03-2412 in the amount of \$130 in payment of the government fee for a one-month extension of time so that the period for response is extended to May 22, 2009.

Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our PTO Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

## **RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.